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### Public Invited to the Second Community Information Session on Solar in Amherst

Amherst residents are encouraged to attend the second in a series of information sessions regarding a proposal for solar in Amherst on Tuesday, October 27th at 7 PM in the Amherst Regional Middle School auditorium. Approximately fifty residents participated in the initial forum held September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015. "We hope to continue the conversation with residents about the proposal for projects at the Old and New Landfills," stated Amherst Finance Director, Sandy Pooler. "At this next session we plan to address some of the concerns that have been expressed by neighbors of the Old Landfill and hope to hear more from the broader community."

To view Amherst Media's coverage of the September 16<sup>th</sup> session, go to: <a href="https://amherstmedia.org/content/solar-amherst">https://amherstmedia.org/content/solar-amherst</a>. In addition the Town has posted a webpage with information from Sun Edison, a brief history and timeline of the landfills, as well as Comprehensive Site Assessment documentation for both landfills. The webpage will be updated as more information becomes available and may be viewed by going to the Town's website and typing 'solar' in the search engine.

Community members are invited to bring both their questions and concerns to the meeting on October 27th. The session will be moderated by the Town's Sustainability Coordinator, Stephanie Ciccarello and will include presentations by Barrett LaChance of Sun Edison, an overview of the permitting process by DPW Superintendent, Guilford Mooring and a presentation of the landfill monitoring program by Amherst DPW Environmental Scientist, Ellie Kurth. There will be a one hour question and answer period following the presentations.

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